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AN ACT

To repeal sections 236.400, 236.410, 236.415, 236.420, 236.425, 236.435, 236.440, 236.445, 236.460, 236.465, and 236.500, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof eleven new sections relating to dam and reservoir safety, with penalty provisions.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Sections 236.400, 236.410, 236.415, 236.420, 236.425, 236.435,

- 2 236.440, 236.445, 236.460, 236.465, and 236.500, RSMo, are repealed and eleven
- 3 new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 236.400, 236.410,
- 4 236.415, 236.420, 236.425, 236.435, 236.440, 236.445, 236.460, 236.465, and
- 5 236.500, to read as follows:
 - 236.400. 1. As used in sections 236.400 to 236.500, standards, rules and
- 2 regulations promulgated hereunder, unless the context otherwise requires the
- 3 following words and terms mean:
- 4 (1) "Agricultural dam", any dam constructed to impound water for use in
- 5 irrigation, livestock watering, or commercial fish rearing and sale;
- 6 (2) "Alterations", "repairs", or either of them, such alterations or repairs
- 7 as affect the safety of a dam or reservoir, or public safety, life or property;
- 8 (3) "Chief engineer", the head of the dam and reservoir safety program of
- 9 the department of natural resources or his representative;

EXPLANATION—Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

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- 10 (4) "Construction permit", a written authorization issued by the council giving the owner of a high or significant hazard dam the right to construct, 11 alter, enlarge, reduce, repair or remove a dam or reservoir or appurtenances 1213 thereto, with such conditions as are necessary to adequately protect the public 14 safety, life, property, the dam or reservoir;
- (5) "Dam", any artificial or manmade barrier, including appurtenant works, which does or may impound water, and [which impoundment has or may have a surface area of fifteen or more acres of water at the water storage elevation, or which is thirty-five feet or more in height from the natural bed of the stream or watercourse measured at the downstream toe of the barrier or dam, 20 if it is not across a streambed or watercourse, together with appurtenant works. Sections 236.400 to 236.500 shall not apply to any dam which is not or 21will not be in excess of thirty-five feet in height or to any dam or reservoir 22licensed and operated under the Federal Power Act is twenty-five feet or more in height with a storage volume of at least fifty acre-feet of water; 24For purposes of this definition, the height of the dam is measured 26either from the natural bed of the stream or watercourse at the downstream toe of the barrier or dam or the lowest point on the downstream toe of the dam, whichever is lower, up to the dam crest elevation. The storage volume is the amount of water stored in the reservoir below the dam crest elevation;
- 31 (6) "Dam and reservoir safety council", as designated by sections 236.400 to 236.500 and referred to as the "council" shall consist of seven members 3233 appointed by the governor according to the provisions of sections 236.400 to 236.500; 34
- 35 (7) "Dam crest elevation", the lowest elevation of the top surface of the dam exclusive of the spillway; 36
- 37 [(7)] (8) "Director", the director of the department of natural resources of the state of Missouri; 38
- 39 [(8)] (9) "Enlargement", any change in or addition to an existing dam or reservoir which raises the height of a dam, increases the watershed for a 40 41 reservoir, or raises the water storage elevation of the water impounded by a dam 42 or reservoir;
- [(9)] (10) "Experienced professional engineer", an engineer registered in 43 the state of Missouri and experienced in hydraulics, hydrology and civil 44 engineering as applied to dam design and construction; 45

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- [(10)] (11) "High hazard", loss of human life is probable or 46 47 expected if the dam were to fail;
 - (12) "Low hazard", any dam that is not high or significant hazard;
- (13) "Maintenance", the proper keeping of all aspects of a dam or 49 reservoir and appurtenances thereto, that pertain to safety, in a state of repair 50 51 and working order as necessary to comply with sections 236.400 to 236.500, any 52 permit hereunder, and protect public safety, life and property;
- 53 [(11)] (14) "Natural physical changes", those changes not directly or indirectly caused by man which affect the safety of the dam or reservoir; 54
- [(12)] (15) "Operation", the physical changes, natural or manmade that 5556 occur or are made to a dam or reservoir, or operation of the mechanisms or appurtenances of the dam or reservoir, which affect or may affect public safety, 57 58 life or property;
 - (16) "Operation or operating permit", a permit issued to the owner of a high or significant hazard dam for a period of up to five years by the council indicating that the dam meets the requirements of sections 236.400 to 236.500 and the guidelines, standards, rules, and regulations issued under sections 236.400 to 236.500, and containing such conditions as to operations, maintenance, and repair as are necessary to protect public safety, life, and the dam or reservoir adequately;
- [(13)] (17) "Owner", a person who owns, controls, operates, maintains, manages, or proposes to construct a dam or reservoir including: 68
- 69 (a) The state and its departments, institutions, agencies, and political subdivisions, but not the United States government; 70
 - (b) A municipal or quasi-municipal corporation;
- 72(c) A district;
- 73(d) A public utility;
- (e) A natural person, firm, partnership, association, corporation, political 74subdivision, or legal entity; 75
- 76 (f) The duly authorized agents, lessees, or trustees of any of the foregoing;
- 77 (g) Receivers or trustees appointed by any court for any of the foregoing;
- 78 [(14)] (18) "Permit", a construction[, safety or registration] or operating 79 permit;
- 80 [(15)] (19) "Permit applicant", an owner who applies for a construction[, 81 safety or registration] or operating permit;

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- 82 [(16)] (20) "Reduction", any decrease in the height of a dam, watershed 83 size, or water storage elevation of the water impounded by a dam or reservoir;
- [(17) "Registration permit", a permit issued for a period not to exceed five 84 85 years by the council to the owner of a dam or reservoir in existence on September 28, 1979, or which becomes subject to the provisions of sections 236.400 to 86 87 236.500 for such dams and reservoirs which are in a properly maintained condition or which have made and complied with recommendations for corrections 88 89 of observed defects of the dam or reservoir and have been examined and approved 90 in accordance with sections 236.400 to 236.500 and standards, rules and regulations and guidelines issued pursuant to sections 236.400 to 236.500; 91
 - (18)] (21) "Registration", a written statement submitted to the chief engineer on forms provided by the department, by the owner of a dam or reservoir, including the name of the legal owner, a contact person, the address of the legal owner and contact person, the height of the dam, the estimated reservoir storage volume at the dam crest elevation, and the general location of the dam;
- 98 (22) "Reservoir", any impoundment which results from a dam as defined 99 in sections 236.400 to 236.500;
 - [(19) "Safety permit", a permit issued to the owner for a period of five years, or less if safety considerations so require, by the council indicating that the dam meets the requirements of sections 236.400 to 236.500 and the guidelines, standards, rules and regulations issued pursuant to sections 236.400 to 236.500, and containing such conditions as to operations, maintenance and repair as are necessary to adequately protect public safety, life and the dam or reservoir;
 - (20)] (23) "Significant hazard", no loss of human life expected if the dam were to fail, but significant economic losses or substantial damage to public services or infrastructure are probable or expected if the dam were to fail;
- 110 (24) "Water", water, other liquid or tailings;
- [(21)] (25) "Water storage elevation", that elevation of water surface at the principal spillway which could be obtained by the dam or reservoir were there no outflow and were the reservoir full of water;
- [(22)] (26) "Watershed", the area, usually expressed in acres of square miles, that contributes or may contribute surface water to a reservoir.
- 2. Any dam or reservoir with a lake surface area of ten acres or less at the water storage elevation that will be used primarily for

fireclay quarry reclamation under the provisions of the land reclamation commission will be exempt from all provisions of sections 236.400 to 236.500.

236.410. 1. There is hereby created a "Dam and Reservoir Safety Council", whose domicile for the purposes of sections 236.400 to 236.500 shall be the department of natural resources of the state of Missouri, for the regulation of dam and reservoir safety. The council shall consist of seven members, no more than four of whom shall be members of the same political party, appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate.

7 2. The members of the council shall have a background of academic training or professional experience directly related to the design of dams and 9 reservoirs. At least two members of the council shall be professional engineers 10 registered in the state of Missouri, one of whom shall represent the general public; at least one member shall be an engineering geologist; at least one 11 12 member, in addition to the professional engineer, shall be a representative of the 13 general public; two members shall be from industry, one of whom shall be 14 earthmoving contractors; and one member shall be the owner of a high or significant hazard dam or reservoir. The members shall serve for a term of two 15 16 years; except, of the first appointments three shall be appointed for one year. The governor shall fill any vacancy on the council and may remove any appointed 1718 member for cause. The council shall annually elect a chairman and vice 19 chairman from among its members. The council shall meet regularly but not less than quarterly. Special meetings and hearings may be called upon delivery of 20 21written notice to each member of the council signed by the director, the chief 22engineer, the council chairman or four of the council members. Four members of the council shall constitute a quorum to transact the business of the council. The 23council shall decide all questions by a majority vote of those present and 24constituting a quorum. The members of this council shall not receive any 25compensations other than for actual travel and subsistence when acting officially 26 as members of the council. 27

236.415. 1. The council considering recommendations of the chief engineer shall, subsequent to a public meeting, adopt, subject to the approval of the director, the general technological guidelines and the standards, guidelines, rules and regulations applicable to permits, hazard classification, the design, construction, maintenance, operation, alteration, repair, enlargement, reduction, removal or natural physical changes that may occur to a dam or

- reservoir. Violations of guidelines, standards, rules and regulations are violations of sections 236.400 to 236.500 permitting the revocation, suspension, or refusal to issue any permit required by sections 236.400 to 236.500. No standards, guidelines, rules, or regulations shall be adopted, or any amendment or repeal thereof shall be effective, except after a public hearing to be held after thirty days' prior notice by advertisement or press release, and publication as required in chapter 536, RSMo, of the date, time and place of the hearing and opportunity given to the public to be heard.
 - 2. At the hearing, opportunity to be heard by the council with respect to the subject thereof shall be afforded any interested person upon written request to the council, addressed to the chief engineer, received not later than seven days prior to the hearing and may be afforded to other persons if convenient. In addition, any interested person, whether or not heard, may submit, within seven days subsequent to the hearings, a written statement of his views. The council may solicit the views, in writing, of persons who may be affected by, or interested in, proposed rules and regulations, standards or guidelines. Any person heard or represented at the hearing or making written request for notice shall be given written notice of the action of the council with respect to the subject thereof.
 - 3. The council upon hearing the recommendations of the chief engineer and reviewing the application for a construction or [registration] operating permit shall approve or deny the permit application. The council may delegate authority to approve or deny permit applications to the chief engineer, whose actions shall be subject to appeal to the council as provided in subsection 2 of section 236.425.
 - 4. No standard, rule or regulation or guideline, or amendment or repeal thereof, adopted by the council shall be in force and effect until it has been approved in writing by the director and the requirements of chapter 536, RSMo, are satisfied. The affirmative vote of at least four members of the council shall be required for adoption.
 - 5. The council shall by affirmative vote establish the fees for permits required in this section by rule or regulation for the cost of renewal, design review, and inspection of high and significant hazard dams and shall review the fees at least once every three years. In no event shall the fees established for design review of high and significant hazard dams exceed one percent of the total estimated cost of the dam or reservoir.

43 6. Beginning on June 1, 2007, there shall be convened a joint 44 committee appointed by the president pro tem of the senate and the 45 speaker of the house of representatives to consider and review the fees 46 established by the council under subsection 5 of this section. The 47 committee shall examine the department's fee structure designed to support the dam and reservoir safety program and evaluate the costs 48 to the state for maintaining the program. The committee shall prepare 49 and submit a report, including any recommendations made to consider 50restructuring the fees established under subsection 5 of this section, to 51the governor, the senate, and the house of representatives no later than 5253 January 1, 2008.

236.420. The council, with the advice and assistance of the chief engineer, shall carry out a state program of inspection of dams and reservoirs in accordance with regulations adopted by the council. All **high and significant hazard** dams and reservoirs in this state shall be inspected on a periodic basis to determine if they constitute a threat to public safety, life or property. The chief engineer shall submit reports to the director and the council concerning the condition of each dam or reservoir inspected, and recommendations as to any alterations or repairs needed.

236.425. 1. The chief engineer shall administer the provisions of sections 236.400 to 236.500 by:

- (1) Recommending [general] technological guidelines that pertain to the design, construction, maintenance, operation, use, alteration, repair, enlargement, reduction, or natural physical changes of, or that may occur to, a dam or reservoir including their removal[; except that, detailed technical specifications shall not be promulgated to regulate the design, construction, operation, maintenance, use, alteration, repair or removal of a dam or reservoir]. Such guidelines shall not be effective until adopted by the council and approved by the director at a public meeting, after notice requirements set forth in subsection 1 of section 236.415 herein have been satisfied;
- 12 (2) Making recommendations concerning the issuing, continuing in effect, 13 revoking, modifying, suspending, or denying, under such conditions as prescribed 14 by sections 236.400 to 236.500 and such rules as may be adopted to protect public 15 safety, life, property, dams and reservoirs, construction permits for the 16 construction, alteration, enlargement, reduction, repair or removal of high and 17 significant hazard dams or appurtenances thereto, and [safety and

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- registration] operating permits to [insure] ensure continuing protection of public safety, life, property, dams and reservoirs, for all high and significant hazard dams subject to the provisions of sections 236.400 to 236.500;
- 21 (3) Making such investigations, including hearings, as are proper to 22 protect public safety, life and property from an unsafe dam or reservoir, and to 23 determine whether any permits should be issued, continued, revoked, modified, 24 suspended, or denied or whether any violations of sections 236.400 to 236.500, 25 standards, or rules or regulations have occurred or are occurring;
 - (4) Entering, at any reasonable time, any private or public premises as necessary to make an investigation or inspection of a dam or reservoir, or records kept, pertaining thereto, and such inspection shall follow reasonable notice to the owner given prior to such investigation or inspection except in the case of an emergency threatening public safety, life or property, in which case such inspection or investigation may be made without prior notice. A suitably restricted search warrant, upon a showing of probable cause in writing and upon oath, shall be issued by any judge having jurisdiction, to the chief engineer or his representative for the purpose of enabling him to make the inspection.
 - 2. The council shall meet with or hear the appeal of a permit applicant and his representative upon request of the permit applicant if the chief engineer has rejected the application for a construction[, safety or registration] or operating permit.
 - 236.435. 1. Prior to the commencement of the construction, alteration, enlargement, reduction or removal of a **high or significant hazard** dam or reservoir, the owner shall apply to the council and upon satisfying the requirements of sections 236.400 to 236.500 and the rules, regulations and standards promulgated pursuant hereto, obtain a construction permit.
 - 2. The application for a construction permit shall bear the seal and signature of an experienced professional engineer registered in Missouri [or employed by a qualified engineering division of a state or federal agency regularly engaged in dam construction for soil and water conservation, or irrigation or relating to wildlife conservation] and shall be accompanied by the design report and plans and [specification] specifications of the proposed design, alteration, enlargement, reduction, repair or removal of the dam or reservoir.
- 3. Any person constructing or owning a **high or significant hazard** dam or reservoir, or living or owning property in an area affected, or whose safety may be affected by such dam or reservoir may consult with the chief engineer

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- 4. The council upon hearing the recommendation of the chief engineer shall approve or deny an application for a construction permit within forty-five days after its receipt or the completion of any hearings in connection with such application, whichever is later. The permit shall be issued upon the receipt of the application if, in the judgment of the council, requirements of sections 236.400 to 236.500 and all standards, rules and regulations hereunder are satisfied and the design will be adequate to protect the public safety, life and property.
- 5. The council upon hearing the recommendation of the chief engineer may reject the application if it decides that there is insufficient information to determine the safety of the proposed construction, alteration, enlargement, reduction or removal of the dam or reservoir or that the construction, alteration, enlargement, reduction or removal of the dam or reservoir would endanger public safety, life or property, or otherwise not comply with sections 236.400 to 236.500 and any rules, standards, guidelines and regulations adopted hereunder.
- 6. A landowner who now owns or proposes to construct an agricultural dam or reservoir which will be used primarily for agricultural purposes will be exempt from all provisions of sections 236.400 to 236.500. If the council with the advice of the chief engineer, determines that the dam or reservoir is no longer used primarily for agricultural services, it shall become subject to the provisions of sections 236.400 to 236.500.
- 7. [Dams or their construction, alterations, enlargements, reductions or removals designed by, and their construction, alteration, enlargement, reduction or repair or removal monitored by, a qualified engineer regularly engaged in dam construction for soil and water conservation or irrigation or relating to wildlife conservation are for the purposes of such construction or other listed actions exempt from the provisions of this section except that the plans for the dam shall be filed with the chief engineer prior to construction, or other listed action. Amended plans shall be filed at the completion of construction or other listed action if there have been significant deviations from the previously filed plans.] A landowner who owns an agricultural dam or reservoir that will be used primarily for agricultural purposes as of the effective date of this section, or a landowner who proposes to construct an agricultural dam or reservoir that will be used primarily for agricultural purposes, may choose to have such dam regulated by the dam and reservoir safety council upon proper notification to the department of such a

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request. For the purposes of this section, proper notification shall 53mean a written request asking to be included in the council's regulation of dams and reservoirs, mailed by certified letter to the 54council. After such a request has been made, any subsequent request 55from a landowner to remove an agricultural dam or reservoir from 56regulation shall be decided solely by the director. Nothing in this 57section shall be construed to require any landowner who owns or 58proposes to construct an agricultural dam or reservoir that will be used 59 primarily for agricultural purposes to choose regulation by the council as a condition for doing business.

8. In the event the department believes an agricultural dam or reservoir that is or will be used primarily for agricultural purposes and that is not regulated by the dam and reservoir safety council poses a high hazard, the department shall initiate an engineering study to determine whether or not the agricultural dam or reservoir in question satisfies the high hazard standard established in section 236.400. Upon completion of the engineering study and in the event that the department finds that the agricultural dam or reservoir in question satisfies the high hazard standard, the department shall submit their findings and subsequent recommendations for regulation to the appropriate soil and water district board that encompasses the property on which the agricultural dam or reservoir sits. If a majority of the soil and water district board agrees, based on section 236.400 and any subsequent rules adopted under that section, that such agricultural dam or reservoir poses a high hazard, then such agricultural dam or reservoir shall be subject to the provisions of sections 236.400 to 236.500. If the soil and water district board does not agree that such agricultural dam or reservoir meets the engineering requirements of section 236.400, then the agricultural dam or reservoir in question shall maintain the exemption provided for in subsection 6 of section 236.435. The department shall not initiate an engineering study on any agricultural dam or reservoir that has been studied by the department and considered by a soil and water district board for a period of no less than one year after such a recommendation by a soil and water district board has been rejected. After one year, the department may again initiate an engineering study for an agricultural dam or reservoir that has been previously studied and ruled upon by a soil and water district

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board. If a soil and water district board does not render a decision within sixty days from the department's submission, the department's findings shall be considered agreed to and the dam or reservoir shall be subject to regulation under sections 236.400 to 236.500.

236.440. 1. The owner shall notify the council upon completion of construction, alteration, enlargement, or reduction of the high or significant hazard dam or reservoir. This notification shall bear the seal and signature of an experienced professional engineer and shall be accompanied by an application for [a safety] an operating permit. The owner of any high or significant hazard dam or reservoir subject to the provisions of sections 236.400 to 236.500 shall obtain [a safety] an operating permit following completion of construction.

- 2. Upon receipt of complete and proper application for [a safety] an operating permit, including notification of completion by the owner and certification by an experienced professional engineer that the new construction, alteration, enlargement or reduction has been completed in accordance with the provisions of the construction permit and sections 236.400 to 236.500, the council shall upon receipt of the application issue [a safety] an operating permit. The council upon advice of the chief engineer may deny the application if it determines that violations of the construction permit or sections 236.400 to 236.500 exist. If revisions have been made which vary substantially from the provisions of the construction permit, it must be shown that the revisions do not endanger public safety, life or property. The [safety] operating permit for dams constructed pursuant to a construction permit issued under sections 236.400 to 236.500, may contain conditions the council upon advice of the chief engineer determines are necessary for the protection of public safety, life and property and a schedule and timetable for the dam and reservoir to achieve compliance with the construction permit and provisions of sections 236.400 to 236.500, standards, rules and regulations promulgated hereunder, but such conditions shall not be more stringent or restrictive than those contained in the construction permit.
- 3. [Owners of dams and reservoirs in existence on September 28, 1979, shall obtain registration permits for dams of fifty to seventy feet in height within four years, and for dams up to fifty feet in height within six years of September 28, 1979, or as otherwise required by the provisions of sections 236.400 to 236.500 and rules and regulations adopted hereunder. A registration] An operating permit shall be issued by the council upon the advice of the chief engineer for dams and reservoirs only after it is determined that the high or significant

hazard dam meets the standards of sections 236.400 to 236.500 and rules and regulations hereunder, and any recommendations made by the inspecting engineer pursuant thereto.

- 4. Owners of all dams in existence on or constructed after the effective date of this act who do not have a current registration or safety permit issued prior to the effective date of this act shall register the existence of their dam with the chief engineer no later than six months after the effective date of the act, and the owners of high or significant hazard dams shall apply for an operating permit no later than one year after the effective date of this act, or at such other future time as the council shall adopt by rule.
- 5. Owners of a dam or reservoir licensed and operating under the Federal Power Act shall apply for an operating permit no later than three months after the effective date of this act.
- 6. Upon complete and proper application for [a registration] an operating permit, on forms provided by the department of natural resources, by the owner of a high or significant hazard dam [in existence upon September 28, 1979, including a certification by an experienced professional engineer or an engineering division of a state or federal agency regularly engaged in dam construction for soil or water conservation, irrigation, or relating to wildlife conservation,] that the dam has been inspected in accordance with sections 236.400 to 236.500, standards, rules and regulations and guidelines promulgated hereunder, and that the owner has complied with the inspecting engineer's [or agency's] recommendations necessary to correct observed defects of the dam or reservoir, the council shall, upon receipt of the application, issue [a registration] an operating permit. The council upon hearing the recommendations of the chief engineer may deny the application if it determines that the owner has not complied with the inspecting engineer's [or agency's] recommendations.
- [5.] 7. For high or significant hazard dams for which construction was completed prior to the effective date of the construction permit requirements hereunder, the [registration] operating permit may contain conditions the council upon hearing recommendations of the chief engineer determines to be necessary to bring the dam and reservoir into compliance with sections 236.400 to 236.500 and standards, rules and regulations promulgated hereunder.
- [6.] 8. If a high or significant hazard dam or reservoir has been removed by the owner, the council shall issue a final approval upon notification

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by the owner and receipt of certification by an experienced professional engineer that the removal has been carried out in accordance with the provisions of the construction permit issued for such removal. Failure to obtain final approval shall be a violation of sections 236.400 to 236.500.

[7. The council shall issue safety permits for dams or their construction, alterations, enlargements, reductions or removals designed by, and their construction or other listed actions monitored by, a state or federal agency engaged in dam construction for soil and water conservation, irrigation or relating to wildlife conservation provided the owners obtain from such agency and file with the chief engineer a statement upon completion of the construction or other listed actions and at not greater than five year intervals, and with every application for renewal of a safety permit, that the dam conforms to the plans on file with the chief engineer and is in a safe, properly maintained condition.

8.] 9. The owner of a high or significant hazard dam or reservoir shall apply for renewal of [a safety or registration] an operating permit not less than sixty days prior to expiration of the previously issued permit. The chief engineer shall determine if the dam and reservoir are essentially as described in the latest permit issued for that dam and reservoir, whether they satisfy the requirements of sections 236.400 to 236.500 and any rules, regulations, standards and guidelines adopted pursuant to sections 236.400 to 236.500 and whether any inspection conducted in connection with the permit renewal reveals any defect in the dam or reservoir which would threaten public safety, life or property. Unless the chief engineer determines that the dam and reservoir are not properly maintained, do not satisfy the requirements of the permit, act or rules, regulations, standards and guidelines promulgated hereunder, or that defects revealed by the inspection are not corrected, the council upon hearing the recommendations of the chief engineer shall issue or renew the [safety or registration] operating permit upon forty-five days of the receipt of a complete and proper application. The council may require the owner to furnish a certification, as a part of an application to renew a permit hereunder, by an experienced professional engineer [or a qualified engineering division of a state or federal agency regularly engaged in dam construction for water conservation, irrigation or relating to wildlife conservation] that the dam is in a properly maintained condition and that any recommendation for correction of defects which violate sections 236.400 to 236.500, guidelines, rules, regulations and standards hereunder or which threaten public safety, life or property have been

105 complied with and that the engineer detected no other such defects which have
106 not been corrected.

- [9.] 10. If a barrier or water impoundment becomes a dam or reservoir through alteration or enlargement as defined herein, it shall be subject to the provisions of sections 236.400 to 236.500, and the owner shall register the dam with the council immediately.
- 11. If downstream conditions change the hazard classification of 112 any dam or reservoir, it shall be immediately subject to the provisions 113 of sections 236.400 to 236.500 for that new class, and the owner shall 114 notify the council of changed conditions within three months of that 115 event.
- 116 [10.] 12. Failure to obtain and comply with a permit as required in this section is a violation of sections 236.400 to 236.500.
- 236.445. 1. If it is found that a **high or significant hazard** dam or reservoir presents a threat to public safety, life or property, or that the safety of the dam or reservoir is threatened, the permit for the dam or reservoir shall be suspended and shall be reinstated only when the owner at his expense has completed the necessary alteration or has established such operational procedures as the council upon hearing the recommendations of the chief engineer deems necessary for protection of the public safety, life, property, the dam or reservoir. If necessary for such protection, the council may require the owner at his expense to remove the dam or reservoir, or if the owner refuses or neglects to act, the state may alter or remove the dam or reservoir, and the chief engineer may recover the costs of such action as provided in section 236.450.
- 2. If the owner refuses to alter or remove a dam or reservoir as directed when found to be a threat as set forth in sections 236.400 to 236.500, he shall be in violation of sections 236.400 to 236.500 and the permit requirements hereunder, and such action shall subject the owner to the enforcement provisions contained herein and revocation of the permit.
 - 236.460. 1. The owner shall notify the chief engineer upon the sale or other transfer of interest in a dam or reservoir, either existing or under construction, alteration or removal. The construction[, safety or registration] or operating permit shall be transferred to the successive owner, along with notification of the current hazard classification of the dam, upon receipt of this notification and upon determination that such transfer will not endanger public safety, life, property, the dam or reservoir.

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2. Failure to notify the chief engineer of the transfer shall result in the prior owner retaining the obligations imposed by sections 236.400 to 236.500 until such time as the chief engineer is notified. In the event that the prior owner is a corporation, and the corporation fails to transfer ownership or interest because of the dissolution or bankruptcy of the corporation, then the officers, directors, and stockholders, if any, individually shall have all obligations imposed by sections 236.400 to 236.500.

236.465. Irrespective of any other provisions of sections 236.400 to 236.500, the following provisions shall apply to the construction, alteration or enlargement of tailing, slime and settling ponds and to other similar industrial water retention structures included within the definitions of dam or reservoir in section 236.400:

- (1) Applications for construction[, safety or registration] and operating permits shall be submitted as provided in section 236.435 and section 236.440 except that design plans and specifications which outline any anticipated enlargement of the industrial water retention structure shall be included;
- (2) It shall not be necessary to reapply for a permit each time the structure is enlarged if the enlargement plans have been submitted in and approved with the original application, and the provisions of subdivision (3) of this section have been satisfied;
- (3) Upon notification of the chief engineer, bearing the seal and signature 14 of an experienced professional engineer, that the initial phase of construction has 15 been completed in accordance with the provisions of the construction permit and 16 17 sections 236.400 to 236.500, or if [a registration] an operating permit has been 18 issued as provided in subdivision (1) of this section, and before any enlargement is begun, and if no violation of sections 236.400 to 236.500 can be shown, [a 19 20 safety permit or a registration] an operating permit with special provisions that authorize the planned enlargement to the initially constructed structure shall be 2122issued, on application, if enlargement plans were included and approved in the 23original application;
- 24 (4) It is not necessary to retain continuously a professional engineer after 25 the initial stage of construction;
 - (5) The dam shall be inspected by an experienced professional engineer registered in the state of Missouri as required to renew the [safety permit or registration] operating permit at five-year intervals unless safety of the public,

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- 30 (6) The chief engineer shall make inspections of these structures as necessary to insure adequate protection for public safety, life and property; 31
- 32 [(7) Where it is shown that a tailings, slime and settling pond, or other 33 similar water retention structure is subject to inspection for safety, using 34 standards at least as stringent as those required under sections 236.400 to 236.500, by a federal or state agency and the owner notifies the council that the 35 structure is subject to such inspection, such structures shall be exempt from the 36 37 provisions of sections 236.400 to 236.500.]
- 236.500. 1. Any person who willfully violates any of the provisions of sections 236.400 to 236.500 is guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, shall be punished by a fine of not less than five hundred dollars nor more than ten 3 thousand dollars, or by confinement in the county jail for a term of not less than thirty days nor more than one year, or by both such fine and confinement. 5
- 2. In the event of a continuing violation, each day that the violation 6 continues shall constitute a separate and distinct offense. 7
- 3. Any person who willfully obstructs, hinders or prevents the council, the 9 chief engineer or his agents or employees from performing the duties imposed by sections 236.400 to 236.500 and rules and regulations promulgated hereunder or who willfully resists the council, the chief engineer or his agents in the performance of the duties imposed on them by sections 236.400 to 236.500 and rules and regulations promulgated hereunder is guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, shall be punished as provided in subsection 1 of this section.
 - 4. Any owner who willfully engages in the construction, repair, alteration or removal of any high or significant hazard dam or reservoir without a construction permit or in violation of a construction permit or willfully violates the requirements of or for [a safety or registration] an operating permit is guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, shall be punished as provided in subsection 1 of this section.